The Council will meet daily at 3 p.m. Further programme of business will be decided later.

Notice of amendments to the Madras State Housing Board Bill, 1961, should reach the Secretary before 5 p.m. on the 2nd March 1961.

III.—CALLING ATTENTION TO FAILURE OF MANAGEMENTS OF AIDED PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN PAYMENT OF SALARIES TO TEACHERS.

SRI T. P. SRINIVASAVARADAN : Mr. Chairman, Sir, Under Rule 41 (1) of the Madras Council Rules, I request your permission to call the attention of the Hon. Minister for Finance, to a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the failure on the part of a number of managements of aided private secondary schools in the payment of salaries due to teachers for periods over six and ten months as in the case of Mandiramoorthy High School, Tirunelveli, and K. M. Kuppusami Mudaliar's Hindu High School, Arkonam, and the consequent deterioration in the morale in the standard of instruction imparted in such high schools. Since such failure on the part of managements of aided private secondary schools in the payment of salaries due to teachers tends to become frequent in a number of schools, it becomes necessary for the Government to call for higher endowments or to place such institutions in charge of the local bodies concerned.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The suggestions contained in the notice of motion have been noted and will be taken into account while implementing the recommendations of the Education Grants Committee which are under the consideration of Government.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : It is just the other way round. The statement is usually longer than the motion. This seems to be a new procedure.

IV.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

THE MADRAS CHIT FUNDS BILL, 1961 (L.A. BILL NO. 5 OF 1960).

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Chairman, Sir. I move—

'That the decision on clause 22 be rescinded and the clause reopened.'

Sir, yesterday, before we rose for the day I accepted an amendment proposed by the hon. Member Sri Patanjali Sastri. On scrutiny I find that the amendment does not fit into the provisions of the Bill. I will briefly explain the position.